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Dear Child Care Provider,

This letter is in regards to the 12/17/14 compliance check of your Level B, Registered Child Development Home. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. The following areas were out of compliance at the time of my visit:

☐ 110.5(1) Conditions in the home are safe, sanitary, and free of hazards.
Key in keyhole to gun safe.

☐ 110.5(1)b All medicines and poisonous, toxic, or otherwise unsafe materials are secured from access by a child.
Make sure meds are inaccessible to children.

☐ 110.5(1)j The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes in case of fire, a safe place indoors in case of tornado, and flood shelter areas.
Need drawing for tornado.

☐ 110.5(1)k Fire and tornado drills are practiced monthly and documentation kept.
Must document and practice monthly.

☐ 110.5(1)l A safety barrier surrounds any heating stove or heating element.
Need barrier at wood stove during daycare hours.

☐ 110.5(1)n Has a minimum of one single-station, battery-operated, UL-approved smoke detector in each child-occupied room and at the top of every stairway.
Need at top of stairway second floor.

☐ 110.5(1)n Each smoke detector has been installed according to manufacturer's recommendations.
Must hang not just set on shelf (2nd warning)

☐ 110.5(1)n Each smoke detector is tested monthly, and a record is kept for inspection purposes.

Must document and test monthly.

☐ 110.5(1)o Smoking and the use of tobacco products is prohibited at all times in the home and vehicles used to transport children. Smoking and use of tobacco products prohibited in outdoor play area during hours of operation.

Discussed not smoking in the home at any time (2nd warning).

☐ 110.5(1)q All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites.

One dog needs fecal statement, gave new form.

☐ 110.5(2)a A physician's signed statement of health and immunization status on the provider and all members of the household who may be present when children are in the home. Statements must be obtained at the time of initial registration and updated every three years.

Linda and husband both need. Gave new form.

☐ 110.5(6)c No punishment or threat of punishment is associated with food or rest.

Discussed not allowed to use vinegar as discipline, discussed other methods.

☐ 110.5(8)e For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.

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Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Development Home Registration.

Please take whatever steps are necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all above-mentioned violations within the next 2 weeks.

☒ Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home. This visit will occur after the 2 week time period has elapsed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at 641-421-1219 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Amanda Nash
Social Worker II

Always Remember:

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at 563-382-4447.

As you plan your future trainings to meet your 24 hours of training requirement, please remember that you need to use only DHS approved training and only 12 hours can be by self-study. You can access the approved training by going to http://dhs.iowa.gov/sites/default/files/CC_Professional_Development.pdf and you can sign up for training at <http://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/trainingregistry/>

All providers need to maintain compliance with rules set out in Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, which includes: 441 IAC 110.5(1): Check with the appropriate authorities to determine how the following local, state, or federal laws apply to you: • Zoning code • Building code • Fire code • Business license • State and federal income tax • Unemployment insurance • Worker's Compensation • Minimum wage and hour requirements • OSHA • Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).